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1. During the past two weeks, USIA headquarters has been negotiating with the former owners of the USIA-controlled branch of A. Porr A.G. for the release of this branch on condition that USIA receive payment of 500,000 schillings every three months for an indefinite period. An offer by the Porr owners of 200,000 schillings quarterly has been tentatively accepted.\*
2. Several days ago, USIA headquarters added the stipulation that Porr A.G. retain the Soviet general manager, who was to receive a salary, a vehicle, and a percentage of Porr A.G.'s profits.\*\* Negotiations are now at a standstill.

25X1A \* **Comment:** Some question as to the authenticity of this information is suggested since forty-nine per cent of A. Porr A.G. is non-USIA and it seems unlikely that the Porr owners would offer to pay USIA 800,000 schillings annually for an indefinite period. See also [REDACTED] which reported an offer by USIA to lease the USIA-controlled branch of Porr A.G. for 200,000 schillings per month. 25X1A

25X1A \*\* **Comment:** These USIA terms, if accurate, may indicate the future pattern of Soviet demands when releasing USIA firms to former owners.

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